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Inventor(s) Shoji Kurakake et al.			
Title of Invention COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR LOCATING AND UTILIZING DISTRIBUTED RESOURCES			

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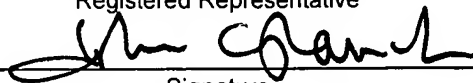


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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicants hereby submit the references listed below and on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of each of the references is enclosed herewith.

OTHER ART DOCUMENTS

Press Release entitled, "The Mobile Virtual Network Operator: Another Option for 3G License Hopefuls, Says OVUM", 2000, pp 1-4
Pascoe, Robert, "Building Networks on the Fly", <i>IEEE Spectrum</i> , Internet article located on the IEEE Spectrum website at: < http://www.spectrum.ieee.org/WEBONLY/publicfeature/mar01/netf.html >, 2001, 8 pages.
"JINI Network Technology", Internet article located on the JINI Network Technology website: < http://www.sun.com/jini/\$sessionid\$RQQDCDYAADR2VAMTA1LU3NQ >, 2001 pp 1-2.
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"Virtual Operator, the new third generation opportunities", GSMBOX Mobile New article, 2000, pp 1-3.
Press Release entitled "Virgin Mobile: Fastest growing virtual mobile operator in world hits third of a million customers", 2001; pp1-2

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to

these materials, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of these documents and make them of record.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John G. Rauch", written over a horizontal line.

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	A1	Press Release entitled, "The Mobile Virtual Network Operator: Another Option for 3G License Hopefuls, Says OVUM", 2000, pp 1-4
	A2	Pascoe, Robert, "Building Networks on the Fly", <i>IEEE Spectrum</i> , Internet article located on the IEEE Spectrum website at: <http://www.spectrum.ieee.org/WEBONLY/publicfeature/mar01/netf.html>, 2001, 8 pages.
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